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Modi calls upon officials to go the extra mile to inculcate public trust in government system

Break hierarchy & learn from all, PM tells babus

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday called upon officials to break the shackles of hierarchy and end silos to enhance service delivery.

Inaugurating the first National Training Conclave in Delhi, he highlighted the importance of capacity building and turning challenges into opportunities. Over 1,500 participants drawn from training and research institutes across the country attended the event.

In his speech, Modi emphasised the need for officials to go the extra mile to ensure better service. He said just like the Army has built impeccable credibility in the eyes of the public, officials must inculcate people's trust in the government system.

The PM also highlighted the importance of service orientation of government work, ownership in realising the aspirations of common people and the zeal to improve the system, among other things.

Sharing his experience as Gujarat chief minister and now as the prime minister, Modi said the government faces no shortage of talented, dedicated and experienced people. Dwelling on the vertical and horizontal silos, he urged officials to seek out those with experience 'regardless of hierarchy' to ensure better outcome.

Later, taking to Twitter, the PM said the conclave was scheduled as a part of the government's efforts to learn and serve better.

According to an official statement, the National Programme for Civil Services Capacity Building (NPCSCB) - Mission Karmayogi - was launched to prepare a future-ready civil service with the right attitude, skills and knowledge. The conclave is yet another step in this direction, it added.

The conclave had eight panel discussions over various issues related capacity building. Officials from central and state government departments, local bodies, as well as experts from the private sector took part in the deliberations.



Deputy CM DK Shivakumar issues a ticket to a woman in a BMT bus during the launch of 'Shakti' scheme for free bus travel for women across the state, in Bengaluru on Sunday. CM Siddaramaiah looks on | SASHIDHAR RYAPPA

For society to develop, more women must participate in the public sector. This is the only way our country will achieve social development... - Siddaramaiah, Chief Minister

'Shakti' for women: Free bus ride is here

PURAN CHOUDHARY
@ Bengaluru

THE Congress government on Sunday rolled out the first of its five poll guarantees, the 'Shakti' scheme, which allows women and transgenders to travel for free in non-luxury and non-AC government buses across the state. The scheme was simultaneously launched across the state by respective district-in-charge ministers.

The scheme was formally launched by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and

Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy, who symbolically issued smart cards to five women at Vidhana Soudha before turning bus conductors and issuing free tickets to passengers, including Chief Secretary Vandita Sharma at the Kempegowda Bus Station in Majestic. Welcoming women by giving roses on their first free ride, they distributed sweets to passengers. Officials said the scheme is expected to benefit 41.86 lakh women passengers every day.

The guarantees offered by the government will empower women, the CM said. P4

Rajneesh Goel, wife Shalini may become chief secys

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

WHILE Additional Chief Secretary ISN Prasad retires in June and his spouse, Chief Secretary Vandita Sharma, in August, another power couple is waiting in the wings. Rajneesh Goel and his wife Shalini Rajneesh, if selected, could occupy the high office for around four years. They will be the next power couple to get a shot at the top post after the legendary Bipul Bhattacharya and Teresa Bhattacharya, both of whom were chief secretaries two decades ago.

Procedurally, the chief secretary is selected by a high-level official selection team and Rajneesh Goel and Shalini Rajneesh will have to clear that hurdle first.

ISN Prasad is the "unseen bureaucratic brain" who superannuates in June, while his wife Vandita Sharma is set to retire two months later in August. Rajneesh Goel, who is in the CM's office, will have an 11-month tenure and his wife Shalini Rajneesh, who is an 89-batch officer, will have a three-year tenure.

The Goel couple hails from Chandigarh and Rajneesh Goel's father is a well-known academic locally. ISN Prasad is a Manipur cadre officer and was given a change of cadre after he married Vandita Sharma, who was from the Karnataka cadre. P5

Minorities targeted by China meet Dalai Lama

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

AROUND 70 representatives of persecuted minority groups from more than a dozen countries including China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Mongolia have held closed-door deliberations in Dharamshala on the theme "China and the Changing Global Order: Prospects and Challenges." The delegates, including representatives of China's Uighur community, also met His Highness Dalai Lama on Saturday, sources said.

"There was a three-day event organised by the Tibet Policy Institute on the premises of

the College for Higher Tibetan Studies at Sarah and these delegates spoke about the atrocities inflicted upon the minorities in China and how the dissenters could get together to return to a democratic process," Tibet Policy Institute said in a statement. The delegates were shown a video documentary on Uighurs and Tibetans, titled 'A shared agenda for national survival and justice'.

The delegates deliberated on how they could get their issues noticed by the international community which is fixated on the circumstances created by the conflict between Russia



Delegates participating in the conference on China and the Changing Global Order in Dharamshala | ANI

and Ukraine. "For the past 63 years that we have been under exile, we have learnt to govern under a democratic process - despite facing stiff opposition from China. All the groups here have major challenges

from the Chinese government and their policies on minorities and we want to resolve this without the use of any violence. But we need to be united in order to bring about reform," said Sikyong Pempa Tsering from the Central Tibetan Administration, while addressing the delegates.

Tsering told the gathering that the persecuted minorities must make every effort to convince the international community that although Russia may be the short-term threat, the long-term threat would come from China with its vast trade and infrastructure network.

Man and Superman: Djokovic

Novak Djokovic wins his third French Open and 23rd Grand Slam title after beating Casper Ruud in straight sets on Sunday. He goes past Rafael Nadal and is now the sole leader on the list of Major winners in the men's singles category...



TOO GOOD
The 36-year-old Serb brushed off an early wobble to defeat Ruud of Norway 7-6 (1), 6-3, 7-5.

Apart from breaking the 22-Slam tie he shared with Rafael Nadal, he became both the tournament's oldest champion and the only man to win all four Majors on at least three occasions.

Wait is over! City win CL title

Premier League club Man City won the Champions League title for the first time and completed a historic treble this season after beating Inter Milan 1-0 in the final in Istanbul on Saturday

India collapse, Oz rejoice

Aussies overpower India on Day 5, taking seven wickets in a session to clinch the WTC title...

- India, chasing a target of 644, resumed on 164-3. But they slumped to 234 all out before lunch, losing their last five wickets for a mere 22 runs.
- With the 209-run win, Australia became the first country to win all senior ICC titles, across men's and women's competitions. India, meanwhile, are still searching for their first piece of global silverware in a decade.



Australia players react after sealing the match against India at The Oval on Sunday | AP

EXPRESS READ

KCET results likely on June 15

Bengaluru: Results for the Karnataka Common Entrance Test (KCET) will most likely be announced on June 15. Karnataka Examination Authority Executive Director Ramya S said, "The results will be ready for publishing by June 14 evening. If the results are announced then, candidates will have difficulty in reaching out to the authority. It will also be difficult to rectify server issues, if any. Hence, we will likely announce the results by June 15 morning." P2

Teen killed, eyes gouged out

Hyderabad: In a horrific killing, a 19-year-old woman was found dead in a pond in Telangana's Vikarabad district. The victim, identified as Sirisha, a nursing student from Vikarabad, was inflicted with multiple knife injuries. Her eyes were gouged out by the assailants using a screwdriver. The police took Sirisha's elder sister's husband into custody on suspicion of his involvement in the murder. P5

Bhushan says he will fight LS polls, but mum on party

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

BJP MP and outgoing Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) chief Brij Bhushan Singh, who is accused of sexually harassing female wrestlers, announced on Sunday that he will contest the 2024 Lok Sabha polls from his current constituency of Kaiserganj in UP.

Singh addressed a large rally in Kaiserganj during which he avoided making direct references to the ongoing protests.

However, he began his address on a lyrical note quoting lines from an Urdu poem, which, when translated to English,

reads: 'The reward which I have received for my love replete with tears, pain, and poison is that now I am known as a betrayer. Call it my fame or infamy, they discuss my name surreptitiously.'

The rally was conducted to celebrate nine years of Modi government.

But interestingly, with the BJP not very keen on fielding him due to the accusations, Singh avoided mentioning the name of the party on whose ticket he will contest. Singh, who is a six-time MPok Sabha member had once contested and won under Samajwadi Party ticket.



Ishad mango from Ankola gets GI tag

SUBHASH CHANDRA NS @ Karwar

The delicious Ishad mango from Uttara Kannada has earned its much-awaited geographical indicator (GI) tag and it is now being looked at as the beginning of its journey for international recognition like Alphonso mangoes.

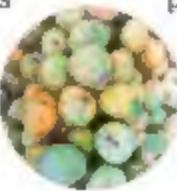
Ishad mango, which is grown predominantly around Ankola, is tasty and contains a lot of pulp. "The

fruit was once canned and exported. We hope to revive its glory," said Satish Kumar, Deputy Director, Department of Horticulture.

"The application for GI tag was made through Ankola-based Matha Totagars Farmers Producer Company (MTFPC) Ltd way back in March 2022. We had submitted the required documents to the Chennai-based Directorate, Geo Indicator species. They sought more docu-

ments and authenticity pertaining to heritage. Finally the status has been accorded," he said.

Madhav Indra Gouda, Director, MTFPC, said that the mango variety has been cultivated for the last 400 years. After this tag, the MTFPC, which is an organisation of 300 farmers, has decided to propagate seedlings and encourage cultivation of this special mango. "We have already ensured two products, pulp and squash, are ready for consumers," he said.



Department of Labour

Karnataka State Child Labour Eradication Project Society

Social Justice for All, End Child Labour

12th June 2023 - World Day Against Child Labour

SEND CHILDREN TO SCHOOL, NOT TO WORK !

- Effective implementation of the Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986, SOP's necessary for issuing declaration of Child and Adolescent Labour Free Districts and Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) (Karnataka) Amendment Rules-2017 are made.
- District Child Labour Project Societies have been set up in each district under the Chairmanship of District Commissioners.
- Inspectors under Section 17 of the Act have been appointed from all departments and through them, targeted and unexpected raids are being carried out.
- If Child and Adolescent Labour are found engaged in work, such children shall be rescued and released from work and enrolled in mainstream schools, if they are in the custody of their parents. Children who are not in the custody of their parents will be enrolled in the Child Welfare Committee (CWC) and action will be taken to continue their education.
- Food grains, uniforms, notebooks, stationery, sports equipments and other items are being provided in kit form to SC/ST child labourers under Scheduled Caste Sub Scheme (SCSP) and Tribe Sub Scheme (TSP).
- Legal Awareness Programs and Information, Education, Communication (IEC) activities are being conducted in all districts to create widespread awareness regarding the eradication of Child and Adolescent Labour.

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Karnataka State Child Protection Commission, Bengaluru. Telephone: 080-22115291/92

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Sri Siddaramaiah
Hon'ble Chief Minister

Hon'ble Labour minister Sri Santhosh S. Lad is distributing School Kits to child Labourers who admitted to mainstream schools